

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

## *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, Vermillion, South Dakota, has a strong tradition in hosting barbecue events and rib feeds for over 60 years; and,

*Whereas*, The Norway Rib Eaters, a group of barbecue pioneers from the Vermillion area, originated a process of grilling using corncobs as a heat source, a process unique to our state, developed over 60 years ago, and has become a traditional style of barbecue in the state of South Dakota; and,

*Whereas*, The Ribs, Rods, and Rock 'n Roll Committee will host a South Dakota BBQ Championship on September 10-11, 2010; and,

*Whereas*, The cook or cooks involved in the competition, based on their performance, will be entered into the draw to compete on a national level at the Jack Daniels Invitation, American Royal Invitational, and the Great American Barbeque Contest; and,

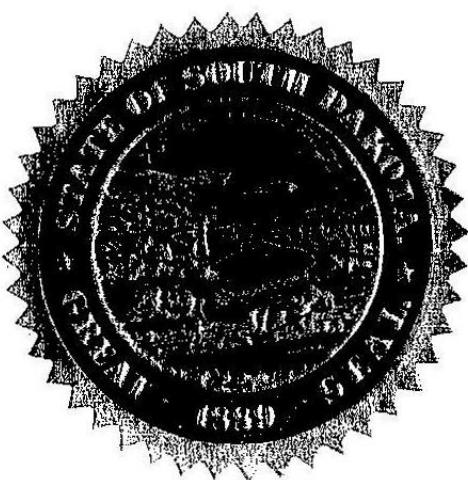
*Whereas*, The barbecue contest is a nonprofit, community event with any and all proceeds to benefit the promotion of future community events in Vermillion; and,

*Whereas*, The olfactory senses of anyone in the vicinity of a barbecue in process will be tantalized beyond reasonable limits, and choosing to partake thereof, will bring a taste experience like no other:

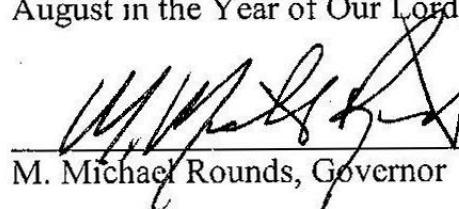
*Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim September 10-11, 2010, as

## *RIBS, RODS, AND ROCK 'n ROLL BARBEQUE CHAMPIONSHIP DAYS*

in South Dakota.



*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Eleventh Day of August in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.



M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:



Chris Nelson, Secretary of State